Historical photos courtesy collection of Retired Fire Captain William F. Cieri



Today, we honor and celebrate a unique man at an historic time and place. Mike Peters' generosity, humbleness, community pride, humor, loyalty and positive spirit improved all of our lives. A heartfelt thanks goes out to all who recognize the value of what he brought to our city and worked to make this day possible.

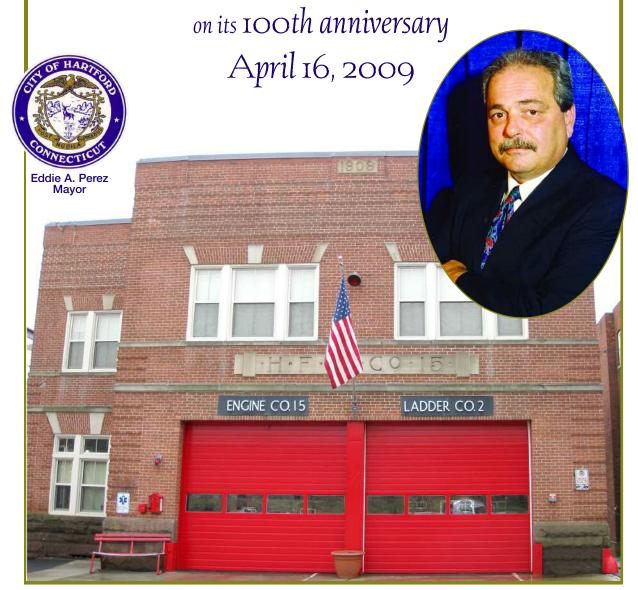
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Dedication Ceremony to rename Engine Company 15

o the

Michael "Mayor Mike" Peters Fire Station



Program

Welcome
Invocation
Proclamation
Speakers
Calixto Torres, President, Hartford City Council
Captain Theodore Borowski, Station 15
Gary Goldberg-O'Maxfield, Fairfield Avenue Neighbors Association
Marilyn Rossetti, Executive Director, HART
Christopher Peters, Peters Family Representative
Unveiling of Plaque
Conclusion
Benediction Reverend Charles Williams

Please join us for cake and refreshments inside the fire station immediately following the ceremony.

Michael P. Peters

B orn in Hartford on November 14, 1948 to Paul and Christine Peters, Mike Peters grew up on Campfield Avenue in the South End of the city along with his sisters, Geraldine, Paula and Eleanor, and brother Robert. He attended St. Augustine's Elementary School and graduated from South Catholic High in 1967. His marriage to Jeannette St. Amand in



1970 produced three children – Christopher, Michelle and David. He later was blessed with five grandchildren: Alexander,

Janessa, Elisa, Isabella and Jayden.

Mike was a proud and dedicated firefighter who spent 22 years on the Hartford Fire Department. He retired in 1993 from Station 15, to serve as the city's Mayor, thus becoming the only firefighter in the Department's 220 year history to become mayor of the City of Hartford.

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He gave generously of his time to many worthy causes, and was known for — and will always be fondly remembered for — his positive spirit, love of family and friends, and enthusiasm for his city.



Double 35-Gallon Tank American LaFrance Combination chemical. Put in service August, 1909.

Fire Station 15

ngine Company 15 was designed in 1908 by the architectural firm of Zunner & Sellew in the Colonial Revival style, and built for the sum of \$16,080.75. It opened on April 16, 1909, making it the oldest extant firehouse in Hartford today.

Its first captain was Thomas F. Mulcahy who transferred over from Engine Company 6; the station's first call was on May 13, 1909 in response to a rubbish fire on Hillside Avenue.

In 1914, Company 15 became the first firehouse in the city to respond to a call using a new signal system that connected all the fire

houses in Hartford. The following year, the Company was the last one still using horse drawn equipment. Horses were kept in a stable with eight stalls and a shower bath for the horses behind the main floor apparatus room. Evidence of these stalls remains today. A hay loft existed on the second floor, along with a bunk room, the captain's room and a hose tower.

The fire station was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on March 2, 1989. Today, it proudly turns 100 years old.